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DETAILED ACTION

Continued Prosecution Application

1. The request filed on 4/29/02 for a Continued Prosecution Application (CPA) under 37 CFR 1.53(d) based on parent Application No. 09/462,961 is acceptable and a CPA has been established. An action on the CPA follows.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

- 2. The text of those sections of Title 35, U.S. Code not included in this action can be found in a prior Office action.
- 3. Claims 40,25,26,28,29,36,41,43 and 44 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Siersch made of record.

The limitations of these claims are met by or obvious over Siersch as discussed in the previous office action. Note that in Siersch no direct light falls into the observation channels (i.e. light coming directly from the illumination channel does not go directly into the observation channels).

4. Claims 30-32 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Siersch in view of Takagi et al, both made of record.

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The limitations of these claims are met by Siersch in view of Takagi el at as set forth in the previous office action.

5. Claim 42 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Siersch in view of Takagi et al and Greenberg, all made of record.

The limitations of this claim are met by these references as set forth in the previous office action.

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Mark Robinson whose telephone number is (703) 305-3506.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Cassandra Spyrou can be reached at (703) 308-1687. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is (703) 308-7722.

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Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 308-0956.

Mark Robinson

Primary Examiner

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